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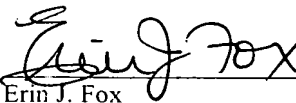
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The documents listed on the enclosed PTO Form-1449 are submitted pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98. Copies of the documents are enclosed as necessary.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the mailing date of either a final action under 37 CFR §1.113 or a notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.311, whichever occurs first, but before payment of the issue fee. Therefore, Applicant submits herewith a certification as specified in 37 CFR § 1.97(e); the petition fee (\$180.00) set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(i); and the accompanying petition under 37 CFR § 1.97(d).

CERTIFICATION

The person signing below certifies that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. 37 CFR § 1.97(e)(1).

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Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d) that this Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449, and document(s) identified therein be considered.

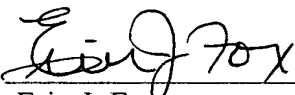
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An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

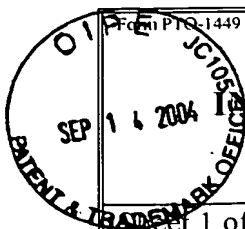
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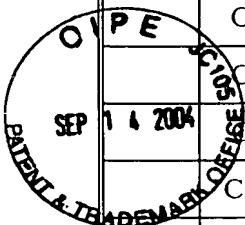
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